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THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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HOUSE BILL

No. 1878 Session of  
2023

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INTRODUCED BY ARMANINI, SMITH, KEPHART, STAATS, BERNSTINE,  
SCHMITT, HADDOCK, MARSHALL, JAMES, KAUFFMAN, MOUL, JOZWIAK,  
BOROWSKI AND GILLEN, DECEMBER 5, 2023

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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION, DECEMBER 5, 2023

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AN ACT

1 Designating a bridge, identified as Bridge Key 42031, located on  
2 that portion of U.S. Route 219 over Pentz Run on the border  
3 of Sandy Township and the City of DuBois, Clearfield County,  
4 as the Trooper First Class Brad Wilson Honorary Bridge.

5 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania  
6 hereby enacts as follows:

7 Section 1. Trooper First Class Brad Wilson Honorary Bridge.

8 (a) Findings.--The General Assembly finds and declares as  
9 follows:

10 (1) Prior to serving in the Pennsylvania State Police,  
11 Trooper First Class Brad Wilson served in the United States  
12 Air Force.

13 (2) Trooper First Class Wilson was stationed at the  
14 DuBois barracks.

15 (3) On September 26, 2013, at approximately 2:30 p.m.,  
16 Trooper First Class Wilson was shot and critically wounded  
17 while trying to serve a warrant at a private residence in  
18 Jefferson County.

1 (4) Following the shooting, Trooper First Class Wilson  
2 was presented with the Pennsylvania State Police Purple Heart  
3 Award in November 2014.

4 (5) In 2016, Trooper First Class Wilson was honorably  
5 discharged from the Pennsylvania State Police after 25 years  
6 of service to this Commonwealth.

7 (6) In 2016, Trooper First Class Wilson was presented  
8 the "Officer of the Year" award from the American Legion,  
9 Department of Pennsylvania, at the DuBois American Legion  
10 Post 17.

11 (7) Trooper First Class Wilson continues to recover from  
12 his injury in the line of duty today.

13 (8) Trooper First Class Wilson's honor was proposed by  
14 the Military Order of the Purple Heart and Troop C of the  
15 Pennsylvania State Police.

16 (9) The Clearfield County Commissioners, the Sandy  
17 Township Supervisors and the DuBois City Council have all  
18 taken official action in support of this designation.

19 (b) Designation.--The bridge, identified as Bridge Key  
20 42031, located on that portion of U.S. Route 219 over Pentz Run  
21 on the border of Sandy Township and the City of DuBois,  
22 Clearfield County, is designated as the Trooper First Class Brad  
23 Wilson Honorary Bridge.

24 (c) Signs.--The Department of Transportation shall erect and  
25 maintain appropriate signs displaying the name of the bridge to  
26 traffic in both directions on the bridge.

27 Section 2. Effective date.

28 This act shall take effect in 60 days.